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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Nangle of Lowell in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Steadfast Love, we thank You for the many blessings You have given to us here in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

As residents, we are grateful for our abundance of history.

Send Your spirit of compassion upon the members of this chamber as they continue the hard work of creating fair and just legislation.

We celebrate on this day the anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette's visit to the Boston area. In 1824, President James Monroe invited Lafayette, the last surviving general of the American Revolution, to tour then-all 24 states. Monroe wanted the visit to be a celebration of the nation's 50th anniversary.

During his visit he spent time with former President John Adams in Quincy, visited Lexington and Concord, and he spoke here at the State House.

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Nangle), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Mariano of Quincy and other members of the House) commending Robert K. Coughlin on his many accomplishments with Massachusetts Biotechnology Council;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Kocot of Northampton) congratulating the Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden Agricultural Society on their two hundredth anniversary; and

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Roy of Franklin and Murray of Milford) congratulating Maxwell R. Day on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Prayer.

Pledge of allegiance.

Robert Coughlin.

Agricultural Society.

Maxwell Day.

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Communications.

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From the 495/MetroWest Suburban Edge Community Commission (see Section 30 of Chapter 119 of the Acts of 2015) submitting an updated report on its activities;

495/MetroWest commission.

From the Department of Public Health (see Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2015) submitting an assessment of fatal and nonfatal opioid overdoes in Massachusetts for the years 2011 to 2015, inclusive; and

Opioid overdoses.

From the Department of Public Health (see Section 154 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015) submitting a report from the Special Commission on Ovarian Cancer entitled "Ovarian Cancer in Massachusetts: Report and Recommendations from the Massachusetts Special Commission on Ovarian Cancer.";

Ovarian cancer.

Severally were placed on file.

Report.

A monthly report of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for August 2017, was placed on file.

Unemployment trust fund.

Petitions.

Mrs. Campbell of Methuen presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3889) of Linda Dean Campbell (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Methuen be authorized to appoint city councilor James Atkinson to the position of junior accountant of the police department of said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Methuen,— James Atkinson.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Muradian of Grafton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of David K. Muradian, Jr., and others relative to the display of the flag of the United States by certain condominium owners.

Condominiums, flag displays.

By Mr. Walsh of Framingham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Chris Walsh and others relative to the calculation of fines by the Department of Industrial Accidents upon issuance of stop work orders upon certain businesses.

Department of Industrial Accidents.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of John J. Lawn, Jr., for legislation to establish direct retail alcohol shipper licenses for the sale and shipment of alcohol directly to certain residents. To the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional

Alcohol,—direct shipments.

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Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Gerard Cassidy and Michelle M. DuBois for legislation relative to creditable service for school business administrators. To the committee on Public Service.

School business administrators,—creditable service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Cam-ly Escobar, sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Cam-ly Escobar, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 3884), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bills.

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Relative to the employment contract for the Director of Public Works in the town of Upton (see House, No. 3726);

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the town of Millbury to grant 1 additional liquor license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3789); and

Eliminating the preliminary election in the city of Revere in 2017 (see House, No. 3874);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill authorizing the town of Hubbardston to convey a certain parcel of land (Senate, No. 1135), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third reading bill.

The House Bill authorizing the town of Burlington to grant additional licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 3756) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bill in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Burlington,— liquor licenses.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in section 1, in lines 1 to 10, inclusive, by striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

"SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing authority of the town of Burlington may grant 6 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant

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to section 12 of said chapter 138 and 2 additional licenses for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises pursuant to said section 12 of said chapter 138 to establishments located within the Civic Center District (CC) and Central Business District (CBD) as identified in Article III of the Burlington Zoning by-laws, referred to collectively in this act as the Town Center Districts, and shown on the Overlay Zoning Map entitled 'Town Center District Map, Civic Center & Central Business Districts', prepared by the Town of Burlington, dated December 2005. A license granted pursuant to this act shall be clearly marked on its face 'Town Center Districts' and shall be subject to all of said chapter 138, except section 17.".

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 3756, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,— Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Next sitting.

At twenty-two minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Mr. Nangle of Lowell being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.